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# Joint universality of periodic zeta-functions with multiplicative coefficients. II

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**Abstract.** In the paper, a joint discrete universality theorem for periodic zeta-functions with multiplicative coefficients on the approximation of analytic functions by shifts involving the sequence  $\{\gamma_k\}$  of imaginary parts of nontrivial zeros of the Riemann zeta-function is obtained. For its proof, a weak form of the Montgomery pair correlation conjecture is used. The paper is a continuation of [A. Laurinčikas, M. Tekorė, Joint universality of periodic zeta-functions with multiplicative coefficients, *Nonlinear Anal. Model. Control*, 25(5):860–883, 2020] using nonlinear shifts for approximation of analytic functions.

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## 1 Introduction

It is well known that some zeta- and  $L$ -functions, and even some classes of Dirichlet series, for example, the Selberg-Steuding class, see [29, 32], are universal in the Voronin sense, i.e., a wide class of analytic functions can be approximated by one and the same zeta-function. For example, in the case of the Riemann zeta-function  $\zeta(s)$ ,  $s = \sigma + it$ , analytic nonvanishing functions on the strip  $D = \{s \in \mathbb{C}: 1/2 < \sigma < 1\}$  are approximated by shifts  $\zeta(s + i\tau)$ ,  $\tau \in \mathbb{R}$  (continuous case), or shifts  $\zeta(s + ikh)$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ ,  $h > 0$  (discrete case); see [1, 6, 13, 24, 32].

The above shifts are very simple,  $\tau$  and  $kh$  occur in them linearly. It turned out that the approximation remains valid also with more general shifts. A significant progress in this direction was made by Pańkowski [31] using the shifts  $\zeta(s + i\varphi(\tau))$  and  $\zeta(s + i\varphi(k))$

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with  $\varphi(\tau) = \tau^\alpha \log^\beta \tau$  and a wide class of reals  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . The papers [22] and [35] are also devoted to approximation of analytic functions by generalized shifts of zeta-functions. In [5], the shifts  $\zeta(s + ih\gamma_k)$  were applied, where  $\{\gamma_k: k \in \mathbb{N}\} = \{\gamma_k: 0 < \gamma_1 < \dots \leq \gamma_k \leq \gamma_{k+1} \leq \dots\}$  is the sequence of imaginary parts of nontrivial zeros of the Riemann zeta-function.

Universality in the Voronin sense also has its joint version. In the joint case, a collection of analytic functions is approximated simultaneously by a collection of shifts of zeta- or  $L$ -functions. The first joint universality theorem belongs to Voronin who proved [36] the joint universality of Dirichlet  $L$ -functions  $L(s, \chi_j)$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, r$ . Obviously, in joint universality theorems, the approximating shifts must be in some sense independent. Voronin required [36] for this the pairwise nonequivalence of Dirichlet characters, i.e., in fact, he considered joint universality of different Dirichlet  $L$ -functions. On the other hand, as it was observed by Pańkowski [31], the independence of approximating shifts of Dirichlet  $L$ -functions can be ensured by different functions  $\varphi_j(\tau)$  in shifts  $L(s + i\varphi_j(\tau), \chi_j)$  or  $L(s + i\varphi_j(k), \chi_j)$  even with the same characters  $\chi_j$ . This observation extends significantly classes of jointly universal functions. For example, the joint universality with generalized shifts was obtained in [16] and [20].

In general, joint universality of zeta-functions was widely studied, and many results are known; see, for example, general results obtained in [7–11, 14, 26, 30] and other papers by authors of the mentioned works. In this note, we focus on joint universality of so-called periodic zeta-functions with generalized shifts involving the sequence  $\{\gamma_k: k \in \mathbb{N}\}$  of imaginary parts of nontrivial zeros of the function  $\zeta(s)$ . We will mention some joint universality results involving the latter sequence. Note that the behaviour of the sequence  $\{\gamma_k\}$ , as of nontrivial zeros of  $\zeta(s)$ , is very complicated, and at the moment, its known properties are not sufficient for the proof of universality. Therefore, in [5], the conjecture that, for  $c > 0$ ,

$$\sum_{\substack{\gamma_k, \gamma_l \leq T \\ |\gamma_k - \gamma_l| < c/\log T}} 1 \ll T \log T \quad (1)$$

was introduced. This conjecture is inspired by the Montgomery pair correlation conjecture [28] that

$$\sum_{\substack{\gamma_k, \gamma_l \leq T \\ 2\pi\alpha_1/\log T \leq \gamma_k - \gamma_l \leq 2\pi\alpha_2/\log T}} 1 \sim \left( \int_{\alpha_1}^{\alpha_2} \left( 1 - \left( \frac{\sin \pi u}{\pi u} \right)^2 \right) du + \delta(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \right) \frac{T}{2\pi} \log T,$$

where  $\alpha_1 < \alpha_2$  are arbitrary real numbers, and

$$\delta(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 0 \in [\alpha_1, \alpha_2], \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Now we will state a joint universality theorem for Dirichlet  $L$ -functions involving the sequence  $\{\gamma_k\}$  obtained in [18]. Denote by  $\mathcal{K}$  the class of compact subsets of the strip  $D$  with connected complements, and by  $H_0(K)$  with  $K \in \mathcal{K}$  the class of continuous nonvanishing functions on  $K$  that are analytic in the interior of  $K$ .

**Theorem 1.** Suppose that  $\chi_1, \dots, \chi_r$  are pairwise nonequivalent Dirichlet characters, and estimate (1) is true. For  $j = 1, \dots, r$ , let  $K_j \in \mathcal{K}$  and  $f_j(s) \in H_0(K_j)$ . Then, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $h > 0$ ,

$$\liminf_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \# \left\{ 1 \leq k \leq N: \sup_{1 \leq j \leq r} \sup_{s \in K_j} |L(s + ih\gamma_k, \chi_j) - f_j(s)| < \varepsilon \right\} > 0.$$

Moreover “ $\liminf$ ” can be replaced by “ $\lim$ ” for all but at most countably many  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

Here  $\#A$  denotes the cardinality of the set  $A$ , and  $N$  runs over the set  $\mathbb{N}$ .

Now we recall the definition of the periodic zeta-function, which is an object of investigation of the present note. Let  $\mathbf{a} = \{a_m: m \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a periodic sequence of complex numbers with minimal period  $q \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then the periodic zeta-function  $\zeta(s; \mathbf{a})$  is defined, for  $\sigma > 1$ , by the Dirichlet series

$$\zeta(s; \mathbf{a}) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_m}{m^s}$$

and has an analytic continuation to the whole complex plane, except for a simple pole at the point  $s = 1$  with residue

$$\frac{1}{q} \sum_{l=1}^q a_l.$$

The sequence  $\mathbf{a}$  is called multiplicative if  $a_1 = 1$  and  $a_{mn} = a_m a_n$  for all coprimes  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$  is a fixed number, then the function

$$\zeta(s, \alpha; \mathbf{a}) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_m}{(m + \alpha)^s}, \quad \sigma > 1,$$

and its meromorphic continuation are called the periodic Hurwitz zeta-function. In [15] and [3], under hypothesis (1), joint universality theorems involving sequence  $\{\gamma_k\}$  for the pair consisting from the Riemann and Hurwitz zeta-functions and their periodic analogues, respectively, were obtained, while in [23], such theorems were proved for Hurwitz zeta-functions.

For  $j = 1, \dots, r$ , let  $\mathbf{a}_j = \{a_{jm}: m \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a periodic sequences of complex numbers with minimal period  $q_j \in \mathbb{N}$ , and let  $\zeta(s; \mathbf{a}_j)$  be the corresponding zeta-function. The main result of the paper is the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.** Suppose that the sequences  $\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_r$  are multiplicative,  $h_1, \dots, h_r$  are positive algebraic numbers linearly independent over the field of rational numbers, and estimate (1) is true. For  $j = 1, \dots, r$ , let  $K_j \in \mathcal{K}$  and  $f_j(s) \in H_0(K_j)$ . Then, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\liminf_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \# \left\{ 1 \leq k \leq N: \sup_{1 \leq j \leq r} \sup_{s \in K_j} |\zeta(s + ih_j\gamma_k; \mathbf{a}_j) - f_j(s)| < \varepsilon \right\} > 0.$$

Moreover “ $\liminf$ ” can be replaced by “ $\lim$ ” for all but at most countably many  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

In [21], joint continuous universality theorems for periodic zeta-functions with shifts defined by means of certain differentiable functions were obtained.

## 2 The sequence $\{\gamma_k\}$

From the functional equation for the Riemann zeta-function

$$\pi^{-s/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \zeta(s) = \pi^{-(1-s)/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1-s}{2}\right) \zeta(1-s)$$

it follows that  $\zeta(-2m) = 0$  for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , and the zeros  $s = -2m$  of  $\zeta(s)$  are called trivial. Moreover, it is known that  $\zeta(s)$  has infinitely many of so-called complex nontrivial zeros  $\rho_k = \beta_k + i\gamma_k$  lying in the strip  $\{s \in \mathbb{C}: 0 < \sigma < 1\}$ . The famous Riemann hypothesis, one of seven Millennium problems, asserts that  $\beta_k = 1/2$ , i.e., all nontrivial zeros lie on the critical line  $\sigma = 1/2$ . There exists a conjecture that all nontrivial zeros of  $\zeta(s)$  are simple.

We recall some properties of the sequence

$$\{\gamma_k: k \in \mathbb{N}\} = \{\gamma_k: 0 < \gamma_1 < \cdots \leq \gamma_k \leq \gamma_{k+1} \leq \cdots\}.$$

By the definition, a sequence  $\{x_k: k \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset \mathbb{R}$  is called uniformly distributed modulo 1, if, for every subinterval  $(a, b] \subset (0, 1]$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n I_{(a,b]}(\{x_k\}) = b - a,$$

where  $I_{(a,b]}$  is the indicator function of  $(a, b]$ , and  $\{u\}$  denotes the fractional part of  $u \in \mathbb{R}$ . Though the sequence  $\{\gamma_k\}$  is distributed irregularly, the following statement is true for it.

**Lemma 1.** *The sequence  $\{\gamma_k a: k \in \mathbb{N}\}$  with every  $a \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  is uniformly distributed modulo 1.*

*Proof.* Proof of the lemma is given in [33], and in the above form, was applied in [5].  $\square$

For convenience, we recall the Weyl criterion on the uniform distribution modulo 1; see, for example, [12].

**Lemma 2.** *A sequence  $\{x_k: k \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset \mathbb{R}$  is uniformly distributed modulo 1 if and only if, for every  $m \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ ,*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n e^{2\pi i m x_k} = 0.$$

Obviously, the uniform distribution modulo 1 of the sequence shows its nonlinear character.

The following statement is well known; see, for example, [34].

**Lemma 3.** *For  $k \rightarrow \infty$ ,*

$$\gamma_k = \frac{2\pi k}{\log k} (1 + o(1)).$$

### 3 Limit theorems

Denote by  $H(D)$  the space of analytic functions on  $D$  endowed with the topology of uniform convergence on compacta. We will derive Theorem 2 from a limit theorem on the weak convergence of probability measures in the space

$$H^r(D) = \underbrace{H(D) \times \cdots \times H(D)}_r.$$

Therefore, we start with a certain probability model.

Let  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{X})$  be the Borel  $\sigma$ -field of the space  $\mathbb{X}$ , and  $\mathbb{P}$  denote the set of all prime numbers. Define

$$\Omega = \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \mathbb{X}_p,$$

where  $\mathbb{X}_p = \{s \in \mathbb{C} : |s| = 1\}$  for all  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ . Then  $\Omega$  is a compact topological Abelian group. Moreover, let

$$\Omega^r = \Omega_1 \times \cdots \times \Omega_r,$$

where  $\Omega_j = \Omega$  for  $j = 1, \dots, r$ . Then again  $\Omega^r$  is a compact topological Abelian group. Therefore, on  $(\Omega^r, \mathcal{B}(\Omega^r))$ , the probability Haar measure  $m_H^r$  can be defined. This gives the probability space  $(\Omega^r, \mathcal{B}(\Omega^r), m_H^r)$ . Denote by  $\omega(p)$  the  $p$ th component,  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ , of an element  $\omega_j \in \Omega_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, r$ . For brevity, let  $\omega = (\omega_1, \dots, \omega_r) \in \Omega^r$ ,  $\omega_1 \in \Omega_1, \dots, \omega_r \in \Omega_r$ ,  $\underline{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_r)$ , and on the probability space  $(\Omega^r, \mathcal{B}(\Omega^r), m_H^r)$ , define the  $H^r(D)$ -valued random element

$$\underline{\zeta}(s, \omega; \underline{a}) = (\zeta(s, \omega_1; a_1), \dots, \zeta(s, \omega_r; a_r)),$$

where

$$\zeta(s, \omega_j; a_j) = \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \left( 1 + \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_j p^l \omega_j^l(p)}{p^{ls}} \right), \quad j = 1, \dots, r.$$

Note that the latter products, for almost all  $\omega_j$ , are uniformly convergent on compact subsets of the strip  $D$ . Since the periodic sequences  $a_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, r$ , are bounded, the proofs of the above assertions completely coincides with those of Lemma 5.1.6 and Theorem 5.1.7 from [13]. More general results are given in [1]. Denote by  $P_{\underline{\zeta}}$  the distribution of the random element  $\underline{\zeta}(s, \omega; \underline{a})$ , i.e.,

$$P_{\underline{\zeta}}(A) = m_H^r \{ \omega \in \Omega^r : \underline{\zeta}(s, \omega; \underline{a}) \in A \}, \quad A \in \mathcal{B}(H^r(D)).$$

Put  $\underline{h} = (h_1, \dots, h_r)$ , and, for  $A \in \mathcal{B}(H^r(D))$ , define

$$P_N(A) = \frac{1}{N} \#(1 \leq k \leq N : \underline{\zeta}(s + i \underline{h} \gamma_k; \underline{a}) \in A),$$

where

$$\underline{\zeta}(s; \underline{a}) = (\zeta(s; a_1), \dots, \zeta(s; a_r)).$$

In this section, we will prove the following limit theorem.

**Theorem 3.** Suppose that the sequences  $\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_r$  are multiplicative,  $h_1, \dots, h_r$  are positive algebraic numbers linearly independent over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , and estimate (1) is valid. Then  $P_N$  converges weakly to  $P_{\underline{\zeta}}$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ .

We start the proof of Theorem 3, as usual, with a limit lemma in the space  $\Omega^r$ . In this lemma, the uniform distribution modulo 1 of the sequence  $\{\gamma_k a\}$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ , and the property of the numbers  $h_1, \dots, h_r$  essentially are applied.

For  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\Omega^r)$ , define

$$Q_N(A) = \frac{1}{N} \# \{1 \leq k \leq N: ((p^{-ih_1 \gamma_k}: p \in \mathbb{P}), \dots, (p^{-ih_r \gamma_k}: p \in \mathbb{P})) \in A\}.$$

Before the statement of a limit theorem for  $Q_N$ , we recall one result of Diophantine type.

**Lemma 4.** Suppose that  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r \in \mathbb{C}$  are algebraic numbers such that the logarithms  $\log \lambda_1, \dots, \log \lambda_r$  are linearly independent over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Then, for any algebraic numbers  $\beta_0, \dots, \beta_r$ , not all zero, we have

$$|\beta_0 + \beta_1 \log \lambda_1 + \dots + \beta_r \log \lambda_r| > H^{-C},$$

where  $H$  is the maximum of the heights of  $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_r$ , and  $C$  is an effectively computable number depending on  $r$  and the maximum of the degrees of  $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_r$ .

The lemma is the well-known Baker theorem on logarithm forms; see, for example [2].

**Lemma 5.** Suppose that  $h_1, \dots, h_r$  are real algebraic numbers linearly independent over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Then  $Q_N$  converges weakly to the Haar measure  $m_H^r$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ .

*Proof.* As usual, we apply the Fourier transform method. The characters of the group  $\Omega^r$  are of the form

$$\prod_{j=1}^r \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}}^* \omega_j^{k_{jp}}(p),$$

where the star “\*” shows that only a finite number of integers  $k_{jp}$  are distinct from zero. Therefore, the Fourier transform of  $Q_N$  is

$$g_N(\underline{k}_1, \dots, \underline{k}_r) = \int_{\Omega^r} \left( \prod_{j=1}^r \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}}^* \omega_j^{k_{jp}}(p) \right) dQ_N,$$

where  $\underline{k}_j = (k_{jp}: k_{jp} \in \mathbb{Z}, p \in \mathbb{P})$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, r$ . Thus, by the definition of  $Q_N$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} g_N(\underline{k}_1, \dots, \underline{k}_r) &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \prod_{j=1}^r \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}}^* p^{-ih_j k_{jp} \gamma_k} \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \exp \left\{ -i \gamma_k \sum_{j=1}^r h_j \sum_{p \in \mathbb{P}}^* k_{jp} \log p \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Obviously,

$$g_N(\underline{0}, \dots, \underline{0}) = 1. \quad (3)$$

Now, suppose that  $\underline{k} \neq (\underline{0}, \dots, \underline{0})$ . Then there exists  $j \in \{1, \dots, r\}$  such that  $\underline{k}_j \neq \underline{0}$ . Thus, there exists a prime number  $p$  such that  $k_{jp} \neq 0$ . Define

$$a_p = \sum_{j=1}^r h_j k_{jp}.$$

Then, in view of a property of the numbers  $h_1, \dots, h_r$ , we have  $a_p \neq 0$ . The numbers  $a_p$  are algebraic, and the set  $\{\log p: p \in \mathbb{P}\}$  is linearly independent over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Therefore, by Lemma 4,

$$a_{\underline{k}_1, \dots, \underline{k}_r} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{j=1}^r h_j \sum_{p \in \mathbb{P}}^* k_{jp} \log p = \sum_{p \in \mathbb{P}}^* a_p \log p \neq 0.$$

Hence, in virtue of Lemma 1, the sequence

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \gamma_k a_{\underline{k}_1, \dots, \underline{k}_r} : k \in \mathbb{N} \right\}$$

is uniformly distributed modulo 1. This, together with (2) and Lemma 2, shows that, in the case  $(\underline{k}_1, \dots, \underline{k}_r) \neq (\underline{0}, \dots, \underline{0})$ ,

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} g_N(\underline{k}_1, \dots, \underline{k}_r) = 0.$$

Thus, in view of (3),

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} g_N(\underline{k}_1, \dots, \underline{k}_r) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (\underline{k}_1, \dots, \underline{k}_r) = (\underline{0}, \dots, \underline{0}), \\ 0 & \text{if } (\underline{k}_1, \dots, \underline{k}_r) \neq (\underline{0}, \dots, \underline{0}), \end{cases}$$

and the lemma is proved because the right-hand side of the latter equality is the Fourier transform of the Haar measure  $m_H^r$ .  $\square$

Lemma 5 implies a limit lemma in the space  $H^r(D)$  for absolutely convergent Dirichlet series. Let, for a fixed  $\theta > 1/2$ ,

$$v_n(m) = \exp \left\{ - \left( \frac{m}{n} \right)^\theta \right\}, \quad m, n \in \mathbb{N},$$

and

$$\zeta_n(s; \mathfrak{a}_j) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_{jm} v_n(m)}{m^s}, \quad j = 1, \dots, r.$$

Then the latter series are absolutely convergent for  $\sigma > 1/2$ . Actually, since  $v_n(m) \ll m^{-L/n^\theta}$  with every  $L > 0$ , the latter series are absolutely convergent even in the whole

complex plane. For  $\mathcal{B}(H^r(D))$ , define

$$V_{N,n}(A) = \frac{1}{N} \# \{1 \leq k \leq N: \zeta_n(s + i\hbar\gamma_k; \underline{a}) \in A\},$$

where

$$\zeta_n(s; \underline{a}) = (\zeta_n(s; \mathbf{a}_1), \dots, \zeta_n(s; \mathbf{a}_r)).$$

Moreover, let

$$\zeta_n(s, \omega_j; \mathbf{a}_j) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_{jm} \omega_j(m) v_n(m)}{m^s}, \quad j = 1, \dots, r,$$

$$\zeta_n(s, \omega; \underline{a}) = (\zeta_n(s, \omega_1; \mathbf{a}_1), \dots, \zeta_n(s, \omega_r; \mathbf{a}_r)),$$

and let  $u_n : \Omega^r \rightarrow H^r(D)$  be given by the formula

$$u_n(\omega) = \zeta_n(s, \omega; \underline{a}).$$

**Lemma 6.** Suppose that  $h_1, \dots, h_r$  are real algebraic numbers linearly independent over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Then  $V_{N,n}$ , as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , converges weakly to a measure  $V_n \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} m_H^r u_n^{-1}$ , where

$$m_H^r u_n^{-1}(A) = m_H^r(u_n^{-1}A), \quad A \in \mathcal{B}(H^r(D)).$$

*Proof.* Since the series for  $\zeta_n(s, \omega_j; \mathbf{a}_j)$  are absolutely convergent for  $\sigma > 1/2$ , the function  $u_n$  is continuous, hence  $(\mathcal{B}(\Omega^r), \mathcal{B}(H^r(D)))$ -measurable. Therefore, the measure  $V_n$  is defined correctly. The definitions of  $Q_N$ ,  $V_{N,n}$  and  $u_n$  imply the equality  $V_{N,n} = Q_N u_n^{-1}$ . Therefore, the lemma follows from Lemma 5 and a preservation of weak convergence under continuous mappings; see [4, Thm. 5.1].  $\square$

The limit measure  $V_n$  in Lemma 6 is independent on  $\hbar$  and  $\{\gamma_k\}$  and has a good convergence property, which is the next lemma.

**Lemma 7.** Suppose that the sequences  $\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_r$  are multiplicative. Then  $V_n$  converges weakly to  $P_{\zeta}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

*Proof.* In [17], the weak convergence for

$$\hat{P}_T(A) = \frac{1}{T} \text{meas} \{ \tau \in [0, T]: \zeta(s + i\tau; \underline{a}) \in A \}, \quad A \in \mathcal{B}(H^r(D)),$$

was considered, and it was obtained its weak convergence to  $P_{\zeta}$  as  $T \rightarrow \infty$ , and that  $V_n$  also converges weakly to  $P_{\zeta}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . In other words,  $V_n$  and  $\hat{P}_T$  have the same limit measure  $P_{\zeta}$ .  $\square$

In view of Lemma 7, to prove Theorem 3, it suffices to show that  $P_N$ , as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , and  $V_n$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , have a common limit measure. For this, a certain closeness of  $\zeta(s; \underline{a})$  and  $\zeta_n(s; \underline{a})$  is needed.

There exists a sequence  $\{K_l: l \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset D$  of compact subsets such that

$$D = \bigcup_{l=1}^{\infty} K_l,$$



$K_l \subset K_{l+1}$ , for all  $l \in \mathbb{N}$ , and if  $K \subset D$  is a compact set, then  $K \subset K_l$  for some  $l$ . Then, putting, for  $g_1, g_2 \in H(D)$ ,

$$\rho(g_1, g_2) = \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} 2^{-l} \frac{\sup_{s \in K_l} |g_1(s) - g_2(s)|}{1 + \sup_{s \in K_l} |g_1(s) - g_2(s)|},$$

we have a metric in  $H(D)$  inducing its topology of uniform convergence on compacta. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\rho}(g_1, g_2) &= \max_{1 \leq j \leq r} \rho(g_{1j}, g_{2j}), \\ \underline{g}_1 &= (g_{11}, \dots, g_{1r}), \underline{g}_2 = (g_{21}, \dots, g_{2r}) \in H^r(D), \end{aligned}$$

is a metric in  $H^r(D)$  inducing its product topology. Note that, in the proof of the next lemma, the multiplicativity of the sequences  $\mathbf{a}_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, r$ , is not used.

**Lemma 8.** Suppose that estimate (1) is true. Then, for every positive  $h_1, \dots, h_r$  and  $\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_r$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \underline{\rho}(\underline{\zeta}(s + i h \gamma_k; \underline{\mathbf{a}}), \underline{\zeta}_n(s + i h \gamma_k; \underline{\mathbf{a}})) = 0. \quad (4)$$

*Proof.* By the definitions of the metrics  $\underline{\rho}$  and  $\rho$ , it is sufficient to show that, for every compact set  $K \subset D$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \sup_{s \in K} |\zeta(s + i h_j \gamma_k; \mathbf{a}_j) - \zeta_n(s + i h_j \gamma_k; \mathbf{a}_j)| = 0, \quad (5)$$

$j = 1, \dots, r$ . The equality of type (5) was already used in [3], therefore, only for fullness, we give remarks on its proof.

Thus, let  $h > 0$  and  $\mathbf{a}$  be arbitrary. We consider  $\zeta(s + i h \gamma_k; \mathbf{a})$  and  $\zeta_n(s + i h \gamma_k; \mathbf{a})$ . Let  $\theta$  be as in the definition of  $v_n(m)$ . Then the representation

$$\zeta_n(s; \mathbf{a}) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\theta - i\infty}^{\theta + i\infty} \zeta(s + z; \mathbf{a}) l_n(z) \frac{dz}{z},$$

where

$$l_n(z) = \frac{z}{\theta} \Gamma\left(\frac{z}{\theta}\right) n^z,$$

is valid. Hence, for  $\theta_1 < 0$ ,

$$\zeta_n(s; \mathbf{a}) - \zeta(s; \mathbf{a}) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-\theta_1 - i\infty}^{-\theta_1 + i\infty} \zeta(s + z; \mathbf{a}) l_n(z) \frac{dz}{z} + R_n(s; \mathbf{a}), \quad (6)$$

where

$$R_n(s; \mathfrak{a}) = \frac{al_n(1-s)}{1-s},$$

and  $a$  is the residue of  $\zeta(s; \mathfrak{a})$  at the point  $s = 1$ . Let  $K \subset D$  be an arbitrary compact set, and  $\varepsilon > 0$  be such that  $1/2 + 2\varepsilon \leq \sigma \leq 1 - \varepsilon$  for  $s \in K$ . Then, in view of (6), for  $s = \sigma + iv \in K$ ,

$$|\zeta_n(s; \mathfrak{a}) - \zeta(s; \mathfrak{a})| \ll \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\zeta(s - \theta_1 + it; \mathfrak{a})| \frac{|l_n(-\theta_1 + it)|}{|-\theta_1 + it|} dt + |R_n(s; \mathfrak{a})|.$$

Hence, taking  $t$  in place of  $t + v$  and  $\theta_1 = \sigma - \varepsilon - 1/2$ , we have

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \sup_{s \in K} |\zeta(s + ih\gamma_k; \mathfrak{a}) - \zeta_n(s + ih\gamma_k; \mathfrak{a})| \ll I + Z, \quad (7)$$

where

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \left| \zeta\left(\frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon + ih\gamma_k + it; \mathfrak{a}\right) \right| \right) \sup_{s \in K} \left| \frac{l_n(1/2 + \varepsilon - s + it)}{1/2 + \varepsilon - s + it} \right| dt$$

and

$$Z = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \sup_{s \in K} |R_n(s + ih\gamma_k; \mathfrak{a})|.$$

Estimate (1) is applied for estimation of the first factor of the integrated function in the integral  $I$ . It is well known that, for  $\tau \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\int_0^T \left| \zeta\left(\frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon + i\tau + it; \mathfrak{a}\right) \right|^2 dt \ll_{\varepsilon} T(1 + |\tau|). \quad (8)$$

The same estimate is also true for the derivative of  $\zeta(s; \mathfrak{a})$ . Let  $\delta = ch(\log \gamma_N)^{-1}$  and

$$N_{\delta}(h\gamma_k) = \sum_{\substack{\gamma_k, \gamma_l \leq \gamma_N \\ |\gamma_l - \gamma_k| < \delta}} 1.$$

Then, in view of (1) and Lemma 3,

$$\sum_{k=1}^N N_{\delta}(h\gamma_k) = \sum_{\gamma_k, \gamma_l \leq \gamma_N} \sum_{|\gamma_k - \gamma_l| < c(\log \gamma_N)^{-1}} 1 \ll \gamma_N \log \gamma_N \ll N.$$

This, (6) and an application of the Gallagher lemma connecting discrete and continuous mean squares for some function, see Lemma 1.4 of [27], give

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{k=1}^N \left| \zeta \left( \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon + ih\gamma_k + it; \mathfrak{a} \right) \right| \\
 & \leq \left( \sum_{k=1}^N N_\delta(h\gamma_k) \sum_{k=1}^N N_\delta^{-1}(h\gamma_k) \left| \zeta \left( \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon + ih\gamma_k + it; \mathfrak{a} \right) \right|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\
 & \ll N^{1/2} \left( \frac{1}{\delta} \int_{h\gamma_1}^{h\gamma_N} \left| \zeta \left( \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon + i\tau + it; \mathfrak{a} \right) \right|^2 d\tau \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \left( \int_{h\gamma_1}^{h\gamma_N} \left| \zeta \left( \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon + i\tau + it; \mathfrak{a} \right) \right|^2 d\tau \int_{h\gamma_1}^{h\gamma_N} \left| \zeta' \left( \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon + i\tau + it; \mathfrak{a} \right) \right|^2 d\tau \right)^{1/2} \right)^{1/2} \\
 & \ll_{\varepsilon, h} N(1 + |t|).
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the classical estimate for the gamma-function and the definition of  $l_n(s)$  show that

$$I \ll_{\varepsilon, h, K} n^{-\varepsilon} \quad \text{and} \quad Z \ll_{h, K} n^{1/2-2\varepsilon} \frac{\log N}{N}.$$

This, together with (7), proves (5), thus (4).  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 3.* We will use the random element language. Denote by  $\underline{X}_n = \underline{X}_n(s)$  the  $H^r(D)$ -valued random element having the distribution  $V_n$ , where  $V_n$  is the limit measure in Lemma 6. Then, by Lemma 7,

$$\underline{X}_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathcal{D}} P_{\underline{\zeta}}, \quad (9)$$

where  $\xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}}$  means the convergence in distribution. Now, let the random variable  $\eta_N$  be defined on a certain probability space with a measure  $\mu$ , and

$$\mu\{\eta_N = \gamma_k\} = \frac{1}{N}, \quad k = 1, \dots, N.$$

Define the  $H^r(D)$ -valued random element

$$\underline{X}_{N,n} = \underline{X}_{N,n}(s) = \underline{\zeta}_n(s + i\hbar\eta_N; \mathfrak{a}).$$

Then, in virtue of Lemma 7,

$$\underline{X}_{N,n} \xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{\mathcal{D}} \underline{X}_n. \quad (10)$$

Let

$$\underline{Y}_N = \underline{Y}_N(s) = \underline{\zeta}(s + i\hbar\eta_N; \mathfrak{a}).$$

Then Lemma 8 implies that, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} \mu\{\underline{\rho}(\underline{Y}_n(s), \underline{X}_{N,n}(s)) \geq \varepsilon\} \\ & \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N\varepsilon} \sum_{k=1}^N \underline{\rho}(\underline{\zeta}(s + i h \gamma_k; \mathbf{a}), \underline{\zeta}_n(s + i h \gamma_k; \mathbf{a})) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, this, (9), (10) and Theorem 4.2 of [4] show that  $\underline{Y}_N \xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{\mathcal{D}} P_{\underline{\zeta}}$ , and the theorem is proved.  $\square$

## 4 Proof of Theorem 2

We start with the explicit form of the support of the measure  $P_{\underline{\zeta}}$ . Recall that the support of a probability measure  $P$  is a minimal closed set  $S_P$  such that  $P(S_P) = 1$ .

Let  $S = \{g \in H(D): g(s) \neq 0 \text{ or } g(s) \equiv 0\}$ .

**Lemma 9.** *The support of the measure  $P_{\underline{\zeta}}$  is the set  $S^r$ .*

*Proof.* The space  $H^r(D)$  is separable. Therefore [4],

$$\mathcal{B}(H^r(D)) = \underbrace{\mathcal{B}(H(D)) \times \cdots \times \mathcal{B}(H(D))}_r.$$

From this it follows that it suffices to consider the measure  $P_{\underline{\zeta}}$  on the rectangular sets

$$A = A_1 \times \cdots \times A_r, \quad A_1, \dots, A_r \in \mathcal{B}(H(D)).$$

Denote by  $m_{jH}$  the Haar measure on  $\Omega_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, r$ . Then the Haar measure  $m_H^r$  is the product of the measures  $m_{1H}, \dots, m_{rH}$ . These remarks imply the equality

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\underline{\zeta}}(A) &= m_H^r\{\omega \in \Omega^r: \underline{\zeta}(s, \omega; \mathbf{a}) \in A\} \\ &= m_{1H}\{\omega_1 \in \Omega_1: \zeta(s, \omega_1; \mathbf{a}_1) \in A_1\} \\ &\quad \cdots m_{rH}\{\omega_r \in \Omega_r: \zeta(s, \omega_r; \mathbf{a}_r) \in A_r\}. \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

It is known [19] that the support of

$$P_{\underline{\zeta}_j}(A_j) = m_{jH}\{\omega_j \in \Omega_j: \zeta(s, \omega_j; \mathbf{a}_j) \in A_j\}, \quad j = 1, \dots, r,$$

is the set  $S$ . Therefore, (11) and the minimality of the support prove the lemma.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 2.* The theorem is corollary of Theorem 3, the Mergelyan theorem on the approximation of analytic functions by polynomials [25], and Lemma 9, and it is standard. By the Mergelyan theorem, there exist polynomials  $p_1(s), \dots, p_r(s)$  such that

$$\sup_{1 \leq j \leq r} \sup_{s \in K_j} |f_j(s) - e^{p_j(s)}| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}. \quad (12)$$

In view of Lemma 9, the set

$$G_\varepsilon = \left\{ (g_1, \dots, g_r) \in H^r(D) : \sup_{1 \leq j \leq r} \sup_{s \in K_j} |g_j(s) - e^{p_j(s)}| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right\}$$

is an open neighbourhood of an element of the support of the measure  $P_\zeta$ . Hence,

$$P_\zeta(G_\varepsilon) > 0. \quad (13)$$

Therefore, by Theorem 3 and the equivalent of weak convergence of probability measures in terms of open sets,

$$\liminf_{N \rightarrow \infty} P_N(G_\varepsilon) \geq P_\zeta(G_\varepsilon) > 0.$$

This, the definitions of  $P_N$  and  $G_\varepsilon$ , together with inequality (12), prove the first part of the theorem.

For the proof of the second part of the theorem, we define one more set

$$\hat{G}_\varepsilon = \left\{ (g_1, \dots, g_r) \in H^r(D) : \sup_{1 \leq j \leq r} \sup_{s \in K_j} |g_j(s) - f_j(s)| < \varepsilon \right\}.$$

Then  $\hat{G}_\varepsilon$  is a continuity set of the measure  $P_\zeta$  for all but at most countably many  $\varepsilon > 0$ , moreover, in view of (12), the inclusion  $G_\varepsilon \subset \hat{G}_\varepsilon$  is valid. Therefore, Theorem 3, the equivalent of weak convergence of probability measures in terms of continuity sets and (13) lead the inequality

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} P_N(\hat{G}_\varepsilon) = P_\zeta(\hat{G}_\varepsilon) > 0$$

for all but at most countably many  $\varepsilon > 0$ . This, the definitions of  $P_N$  and  $\hat{G}_\varepsilon$  prove the second part of the theorem.  $\square$

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